A RESOLUTION

2003-36-32

SUPPORTING THE BEXAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT SUBMISSION OF A PETITION TO THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO FORM A REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY FOR THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN AREA; AS REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN CARROLL W. SCHUBERT, DISTRICT 9.

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WHEREAS, San Antonio Area has a \$3.6 billion shortfall in funding for identified major added capacity highway improvement projects between now and 2025 and;

WHEREAS, from 1994 to 2000, San Antonio's metropolitan area traffic congestion grew faster than any of the 75 major metropolitan areas in the United States and:

WHEREAS, the return on investment for the State of Texas in federal highway funds has been less than 86% for each dollar sent to Washington, D.C., and;

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Area's return on each dollar sent to Washington, D.C., and Austin, Texas has been less than 80 cents on the dollar over the last five years, and;

WHEREAS, the San Antonio metropolitan area population is projected to increase by 50% (at least 700,000 new citizens) between now and 2025, and;

WHEREAS, vehicles miles traveled in the San Antonio metropolitan area will increase by 70% or from 33 million to 56 million between now and 2025, and;

WHEREAS, federal and state traditional sources of transportation revenues, motor fuel taxes and vehicle registration, are not expected to be increased in the near future in order to provide the necessary funding for transportation projects, and;

WHEREAS, the City of San Antonio has long been a leader in transportation issues, the Bexar County Commissioners Court has encouraged input on the formation of the Regional Mobility Authority and is committed to collaborating with the City of San Antonio on transportation projects; NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City of San Antonio supports the Petition of Bexar County for Authorization to Form a Regional Mobility Authority and further supports the establishment of such entity for Bexar County and the San Antonio Metropolitan Area.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is authorized to implement by executing any necessary documents.

SECTION 3. This resolution is effective on October 19, 2003

PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of October, 2003.

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EDWARD D. GARZA

ATTEST.

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Eity Attorney